Crop loss due to floods

1066.SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of loss suffered on account of damage to agricultural crop due to heavy floods during this year, State-wise;

(b) whether States/Union Territories have sought any financial assistance for loss of crop during the above period, particularly in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard and the steps taken by Government to provide assistance to these States?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) According to the preliminary assessment made by the State Governments, crop area of about 26.61 lakh hectares has been affected by floods, heavy rains and cyclonic storms during 2005. The details are given in the enclosed Statement-I (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The assistance for relief and rehabilitation is provided out of Central Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) and National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF), Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) has been constituted for each State to which the Govenment of India and the State Governments contribute in the ratio of 3:1. The State Governments are normally required to meet relief expenditure from the CRF. In case the calamity is of a severe nature and the funds available in the States CRF account are not sufficient, additional assistance is provided to the States out of the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF), in accordance with prescribed procedure. Under the guidelines for expenditure from CRF/NCCF, the assistance to the affected farmers is admissible for agriculture input subsidy, damage to houses, employment under relief programmes, assistance for loss of animals, assistance for feed, fodder and *ex-gratia* payment to families of deceased persons. For the State of Andhra Pradesh the entire Central share of Rs. 258.06 crore under CRF has been released. In addition, under NCCF, an amount of Rs. 100 crore has been recommended for release to the Ministry of Finance on 7.11.2005. The State-wise allocations and releases of funds from CRF/NCCF during 2005-06 are given in the enclosed Statement-II.

Statement-I

State-wise details of damage to cropped areas due to floods, heavy rains, and cyclonic storms during 2005 in the country.

(Provisional, as on 30.11.2005)

Sl.No.	State	Cropped areas affected (Lakh hect.)
1.	Assam	0.33
2.	Andhra Pradesh	3.34
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.12
4.	Bihar	0.56
5.	Chhattisgarh	1.50
6.	Goa	Neg.
7.	Gujarat	3.66
8.	Haryana	0.12
9.	Himachal Pradesh	0.58
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	0.01
11.	Karnataka	1.96
12.	Kerala	0.60
13.	Madhya Pradesh	0.05
14.	Maharashtra	5.5
15.	Meghalaya	NR
16.	Mizoram	0.08
17.	Nagaland	Neg.
18.	Orissa	2.32
19.	Punjab	1.04
20.	Rajasthan	0.34
21.	Sikkim	0.26
22.	Tamil Nadu	0.50
23.	Uttar Pradesh	3.67
24.	Uttaranchal	Neg.
25.	West Bengal	Neg.
26.	Pondicherry	0.07
	TOTAL:	26.61

Note: NR–Not reported

Neg.–Negligible

Statement-II

Allocation and Release of funds from CRF/NCCF during 2005-2006

As on 29.11.2005
(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Allocation of CRF			Relases from CRF				Releases from NCCF	
		Central Share	State Share	Total	First Instalment		Second Instalment			
					Amt.	Date of release	Amt.	Date of release	Amt.	Date of release
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.	Andhra Pradesh	258.06	86.02	344.08	129.03	08.06.05	129.03	8.11.05	100.00 ***	
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	21.23	7.08	28.30	10.62	08.06.05	21.23	16.09.05	68.44	5.05.05
3.	Assam	144.79	48.26	193.06	@					
4.	Bihar	111.69	37.23	148.93	55.85	7.11.05				
5.	Chhattisgarh	83.81	27.94	111.75	41.91	8.06.05				
6.	Goa	1.58	0.53	2.11	@					
7.	Gujarat	184.50	61.50	246.00	92.25	04.07.05			500*	8.07.05
8.	Haryana	93.28	31.10	124.38	@					
9.	Himachal Pradesh	75.52	25.17	100.69	37.76	08.06.05	37.76	8.7.05	100.00*	25.7.05
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	64.84	21.61	86.46	32.42	25.7.05	32.42	10.10.05	949#	25.7.05
									100.00*	10.10.05
									+200.28*	13.10.05

11.	Jharkhand	94.56	31.52	126.07	47.28	3.10.05				
12.	Karnataka	86.00	28.67	114.67	43.0	30.05.05	43.00	11.8.05	57.00*	11.8.05
									+300.0*	24.8.05
13.	Kerala	64.13	21.38	85.51	32.07	08.06.05	32.65	30.8.05	17,935*	30.8.05
14.	Madhya Pradesh	190.67	63.56	254.23	95.34	06.07.05				
15.	Maharashtra	167.18	55.73	222.90	83.59	09.05.05	83.59	5.8.05	103.67**	18.705
									500*	28.7.05
									416.41*	5.8.05
16.	Manipur	4.17	1.39	5.56	@					
17.	Meghalaya	8.47	2.82	11.29	4.235	28.10.05				
18.	Mizoram	4.94	1.65	6.58	2.47	14.09.05				
19.	Nagaland	2.87	0.96	3.83	1.44	21.06.05				
20.	Orissa	226.16	75.39	301.54	113.08	08.06.05				
21.	Punjab	109.52	36.51	146.03	54.76	27.7.05				
22.	Rajasthan	331.73	103.91	415.64	155.87	09.05.05				
23.	Sikkim	13.15	4.38	17.53	6.58	21.06.05				
24.	Tamil Nadu	156.81	52.27	209.08	78.41	14.11.05			500*	29.11.05
25.	Tripura	9.64	3.21	12.85	@					
26.	Uttar Pradesh	221.95	73.98	295.94	110.98	5.10.05				
27.	Uttaranchal	71.02	23.67	94.69	35.51	08.07.05				
28.	West Bengal	176.05	58.68	234.73	@					

* Ad-hoc releases. ** Released for Drought/Hailstorm.

\# Released for heavy snow/avalanches. ***Recommended for release on 7.11.05 to the Ministry of Finance.

@ 1st instalment of Centre's share of CRF for the year of 2005-06 has not been released for want of information relating in crossing of earlier released funds, utilisation certificate.